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SERGE HAUMONT

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For: IDENTIFYING A MOBILE STATION IN A PACKET RADIO NETWORK

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the reference listed on the attached PTO-1449. Unless otherwise indicated herein, one copy of each reference is attached. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the reference be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner return an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 to Applicants with the next Office communication to indicate that the reference(s) has been considered, per MPEP § 609.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits in the present application.

The listed reference was cited in a Japanese Office Action, dated January 30, 2004 in a corresponding foreign application. No certification or fee is required.

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Notification of Reason for Rejection

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The above mentioned application is considered to be subject to rejection on the grounds set out hereunder. If the applicant has anything to say, he should file an argument within three months from the date of dispatch of this document.

Ground

The invention under the present application is considered to have been easy to invent for those skilled in the art on the basis of the invention described in the following publication which was circulated in Japan prior to the present application and, therefore, it is considered unpatentable in view of the provisions of Article 29, Para. 2 of the Patent Law.

Ground for Rejection

Reference 1: WO97/48246 which corresponds to Japanese Patent Publication No. 2000-512816. (See, in particular, Fig. 1 thereof)

As regards claims 1 to 18, please refer to the above reference.

Ref. 1 discloses a method of allocating a temporary identity in a cellular network to a mobile station by a first network element which has an identifier of its own, characterized in that the temporary identity comprises at least part of an identifier indicating the first network element.